GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS
LOK SABHA

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HIRING OF SHIPS FOR EXPLORATION OF OIL AND HYDROCARBON
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Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Oil and Natural Gas Commission (ONGC) has hired or propose to hire some more new ships for exploration of oil and hydrocarbon;

(b) if so, the number of such ships hired; and

(c) the total amount likely to be incurred on hiring these ships?

Answer

MINISTER OF PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS AND PANCHAYATI RAJ (SHRI MANI SHANKAR AIYAR)

(a) and (b) : Oil and Natural Gas Corporation Limited (ONGC) have hired two deepwater drill ships and two shallow water ships/floaters/barges for a period of three years for exploration of oil and gas.

(c) : The total amount likely to be incurred on hiring these four ships for three years is Rs.3,969.64 crore.